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The 29th Annual Assembly of The Church of God

The 29th Assembly is now in history. On the evening of the 6th of October the large Memorial Auditorium in Chattanooga was filled with people. After a few remarks by the General Overseer, welcome addresses by E. L. Simmons and E. M. Ellis were enjoyed. Mayor Bass of Chattanooga also welcomed the people to his city, said many good things about our people, and told us he was coming back to visit the Assembly. He said he was greatly impressed with the sincerity of the people. The Ministers' Association of Chattanooga sent a representative and he made a talk in behalf of the ministers of that city and extended a welcome to the delegates. Mr. Dick Parks, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Chattanooga, read a letter from the Governor of Tennessee welcoming the people to the State of Tennessee. Mr. Parks said many good things that made us believe the people appreciated the great Assembly.

Sunday morning the Bible School program in charge of Prof. J. H. Walker was greatly enjoyed. Quite a number of students from different states were on the platform. Some of them spoke of the benefits derived from the school and they sang good songs that brought love and cheer to many hearts. In the afternoon at 3:00 p. m. the orphanage gave a program and we are sure that all present enjoyed the songs, recitations, etc. of these precious orphan children.

S. W. LATIMER, General Overseer

The collection for the orphanage was \$371.00. Many good things were said concerning the home and caring for these precious little tots. At 6:30 p. m. the Young People's Endeavor began their program. Sister Alda B. Harrison and Sister P. W. Chesser in charge aided by others on the committee. Several soul stirring talks were given by different young people. We are sure these young people are doing a great work for the Lord. A tribute to our fathers was given in song by Lloyd McLain and a tribute to our mothers by Cecil Cross was also among the main features of the program.

Monday morning the people filled the auditorium by the time for the opening service. The good songs by the congregation led by Prof. Otis L. McCoy, also the music by the band, were greatly enjoyed. After the appointment of committees and review by the General Overseer, the states began their reporting. I am sure this occasion was enjoyed by the thousands of people who had gathered from many states in the Union. Most of them marched under a banner with the name of their state, and sang a song of victory, the overseer making a short talk

telling of the work that had been accomplished the past year. This continued until 5:00 p. m. At 6:30 p. m. the auditorium was filled and the music began. The band played several pieces and shouts of victory were heard all over the auditorium. The people stood and waved their handkerchiefs to show their gratitude to God for the many blessings He had bestowed upon them during the year. At 7:30 p. m. a message was given by B. L. Hicks and U. D. Tidwell, the subject being "If you do prepare for the Lord's return and the joy and blessings that will be rewarded to those who are faithful. Second, If you refuse to accept salvation and continue in sin, the consequences of a mispent life, and the woes of eternal destruction." Each spoke ten minutes at different intervals until an hour was taken up with this wonderful message. The altar service in the carrying room was enjoyed by many and quite a few received the baptism on this occasion.

Throughout the entire Assembly God's presence and power was manifested and we can truthfully say that it was one of the greatest occasions the Church has ever witnessed. The large auditorium with a seating capacity of over 6,000 was filled every evening and many were on the outside. Some who have visited the Assemblies for the last fifteen years state

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NOTICES

I take this method to let my friends, brothers and sisters know that I am serving God and a member of the Church of God again. I want the members of the Church of God to forgive me for backsliding. I love all of you and feel that this has been a lesson to me, and a hard one. The Lord is calling me back into His service and I want to obey His voice. Pray for me to fight the battle to the end. At this writing my pastor is Floyd Irvin, Rt. 5, Jasper, Tenn.; district overseer, Wm. E. Johnson, Whiteside, Tenn.; state overseer, T. S. Payne, McMinnville, Tenn.—J. S. Douglas, Rt. 4, Box 94, St. Elmo, Tenn.

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If any one is looking for a place to conduct a revival we will be glad to hear from you. We came to La Junta last February from Morton, Tex. God has wonderfully blessed us. We have been worshipping with the different Pentecostal people here and have found some fine people but it is never like being in good old Church of God services. We have had certain parties to offer to pay house rent if we would start a revival but we have never felt competent to put a successful revival over as we are the only Church of God family here, but I feel that now is the time. So if you feel that God would have you come to La Junta, please let us hear from you soon. We would also like to hear from any Church of God people living in Colorado. We desire your prayers.—O. K. Fewell, La Junta, Colo.

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If any one knows the address of H. E. Ramsey of West Virginia, please write me as soon as possible.—J. H. Daniels, 1004, McDowell Ave. N.E., Roanoke, Va., district pastor.

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Several good evangelists needed in Arkansas and Oklahoma. Plenty of territory. Welcome and co-operation promised any one who feels led of God to these fields. A wonderful opportunity awaits some one in and around Little Rock, Hot Springs, Benton, and entire southern portion of State. All ministers wishing to correspond with me immediately may address me at Lawton, Okla. Brother Jesse Danehower is appointed district overseer of the Forrest City, Ark. district, and Brother J. A. McCullar is district overseer of the Marked Tree dis-

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trict. I will visit each church as soon as possible.—S. J. Wood, overseer of Oklahoma and Arkansas.

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I had a meeting in August at Caruthersville, Mo., and one was saved. During the Assembly I had a meeting for six nights about six miles southeast of Daisy, Tenn. and attended the Assembly in the day. Two were saved. I hope some minister will go there and have a good revival. There are hungry souls there.—Horace Lewis.

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To the ministers of the Church of God in West Virginia: We are announcing a ministers' meeting at Logan, W. Va. for the southern part of the State on Oct. 20, 21, 1934 and at Clarksburg, W. Va. for the northern part of the State on Oct. 27, 28, 1934. All ministers in Southern West Virginia meet me at Logan, and all in Northern West Virginia meet me at Clarksburg. Services will be held Saturday night, Sunday morning and Sunday afternoon.—Yours in His service, H. N. Scoggins, state overseer.

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This is to let every one concerned know that Sister Lila Smith mother of Helen Smith, did appear before the Church of God in Macon, Ga. and make a complete confession and is hereby restored to fellowship as far as the church at Macon is concerned. We love her and there is nothing against her in Macon church. Conference, Sept 22; Brother C. A. Culpepper, moderator.—W. H. Jones, clerk.

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We would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of Brother Dailey Ponder, also Sister Jewel Green. If not heard from by next conference, the first

of January, their names will be dropped from the church roll.—C. C. Ellis, clerk, 1308 N. 5th St., Wichita Falls, Tex.

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Helen L. Morrow will be on the air over station WWVA at Wheeling, W. Va., at 7:00 a. m. and 1:45 p. m. week days, and 7:30 a. m., 10:30 a. m. and 2:00 p. m. to 4:00 p. m. Sundays, starting Oct. 14. Address all mail for requests of songs Wheeling Gospel Tabernacle, Wheeling, W. Va.

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I would like to get old Evangelists and full gospel tracts to give out to the boys in the United States Transet Camp and to people outside the camp. Here is a chance for some mother's boy to get the Word of God.—D. T. Webb, Box 230, Phoenix, Ariz.

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Ministers meeting will convene at the Church of God, Pratt City, Ala., Oct. 26, 27, 28. All ministers in the state of Alabama please be present.—G. C. Dunn, state overseer, Alabama City, Ala.

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BROADCASTS

Monday, 10:15 a. m. to 10:30 a. m.; Wednesday, 9:30 p. m. to 10:00 p. m.; Friday, 7:15 p. m. to 7:30 p. m.; Sunday, 4:30 p. m. to 5:30 p. m. Station WSCO, Charlotte, N. C.

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Until further notice my mail will reach me at the Church of God Publishing House.—M. P. Cross, Overseer of Tennessee.

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We wish to announce our district meetings in North Carolina as follows: Asheville district, Oct. 20, 21; Lenoir district, Oct. 27, 28; Charlotte district, Nov. 3, 4; Salisbury district, Nov. 10, 11; Greensboro district, Nov. 17, 18; Winston-Salem district, Nov. 24, 25; Durham district, Nov. 30, Dec. 1; Charlotte district, Dec. 7, 8; Greensboro district, Dec. 14, 15; Winston-Salem district, Dec. 21, 22; Asheville district, Dec. 28, 29; Lenoir district, Dec. 25, 26; Charlotte district, Dec. 31, Jan. 1; Salisbury district, Jan. 7, 8; Greensboro district, Jan. 14, 15; Winston-Salem district, Jan. 21, 22; Asheville district, Jan. 28, 29; Lenoir district, Jan. 25, 26; Charlotte district, Jan. 31, Feb. 1; Salisbury district, Feb. 7, 8; Greensboro district, Feb. 14, 15; Winston-Salem district, Feb. 21, 22; Asheville district, Feb. 28, 29; Lenoir district, Feb. 25, 26; Charlotte district, Mar. 3, 4; Salisbury district, Mar. 10, 11; Greensboro district, Mar. 17, 18; Winston-Salem district, Mar. 24, 25; 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EVANGEL DRIVE

There were 150 ministers and workers who stood up each pledging himself for twenty new subscribers to the Evangel. We appreciate your pledge and we feel most assured that others desire to join you. Let us make this a great year for the Evangel. The church public needs the paper, the Publishing House needs the money. We are depending on you. We appreciate your efforts in the past and trust these may be intensified in the future. During the month of October the subscription rate will be \$1.00 each yearly subscription.

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ASSEMBLY POSTCARDS

We still have a few postcards showing the mass congregation seated in Memorial Auditorium, Chattanooga, Tenn. during the General Assembly. These we will mail out to you at 15c each while they last.

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EUROPEAN RULERS ASSASSINATED

The slaying of Dollfuss, dictator of Austria, was followed closely by the slaying of King Alexander of Yugoslavia. In connection with these crimes police and detectives found substantial evidence of an international plot to slay all European rulers. Such moves threaten the entire peace and welfare of Europe and is sure to bring on war and bloodshed. Such working is a

primary stage of unclean spirits troubling kings of the earth as mentioned in Rev. 16:13-16.

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JOB PRINTING

We are prepared to do this efficiently and promptly at prices as low as other printers can quote due to code regulation. The General Assembly has authorized the erection of a new publishing plant to take care of the increase in business of the Publishing House. This will involve quite an outlay in cash. We do not have all that will be needed and especially insist that we be privileged to quote prices on your job printing such as books, booklets, letterheads, billheads, statements, etc. There is no job too great or too small. We are prepared to do high class printing and binding. Write us for estimates.

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

It is true that the days of session of the General Assembly which convened in Chattanooga, Oct. 6-12, at the Memorial Auditorium is now history, but the effects of that Assembly remain with us. Business regulations as well as the spiritual influences still vitally influence us. Those things enacted upon which have to do with the government of the Church are now in the act of enforcement for the betterment of the Church. Whatever spiritual attainments were manifested are likewise an asset that will govern future blessing. Whatever delinquencies or failures were found in our spiritual life reflect our weakness and enforce upon us the lash of conscience, driving us closer to God, emphasizing the need of pray-

er, for divine guidance and help in the future.

THRONGS

As a result of changing the location of the General Assembly we naturally expected that it might have produced an unfavorable reaction, however, this was not the case; if a difference, the delegation was larger and better in every way than at previous assemblies. Delegates were there by the thousands from the east, west, north and south, islands of the sea and some from foreign countries. The first night of the Assembly the main auditorium seating 5,500 persons was completely filled with an additional 200 seated on the platform, perhaps 2,000 who could not gain admittance remained in corridors, memorial hall and hither and thither, and thus it continued throughout the entire Assembly even to the last night. The daily paper stated there were 7,000 seated in the main auditorium and Community Hall and at least 2,000 could not obtain seats. We had expected the congregation to dwindle towards the end of the Assembly but to our surprise there were about 3,500 occupying the main auditorium waiting for the appointment of overseers. This number was greatly augmented for the closing service Friday night. To say that it was a success is not stating the truth of the situation fair. It was an overwhelming success! First, in that there was a good spiritual atmosphere prevailing; second, that the people were there in increased numbers, and third, from the financial standpoint of

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money to meet all necessary expenses being made available thru the finance committee and the management of entertainment, etc.

FUTURE ASSEMBLIES

We are not to know at this time whether next General Assembly will be held in Cleveland, Tenn., Chattanooga, Tenn., or some other city. This matter was discussed without reaching an agreement except that a committee was appointed to decide where the next General Assembly will be held. This will be known in due time. Our people love the beautiful little city of Cleveland, Tenn. and would be glad to return there if ample arrangements can be made for seating and housing such a large body of people. On the other hand Chattanooga is a larger and beautiful city with ample provision or about as much so as could be expected elsewhere, making it in some sense a favorable place for the next General Assembly with an unquestionable hospitality which also extends some inducement, but let it not be said that such is in any sense lacking in Cleveland.

CO-OPERATION

The local Entertainment Committee was greatly responsible for the excellent entertainment rendered during the General Assembly, however, the honorable mayor and the entire police force as well as the Chamber of Commerce offered any assistance possible in order to make the General Assembly of the Church of God not only feel welcome but to be comfortably at home during its entire session. Rev. E. M. Ellis and Rev. E. L. Simmons, pastors of Chattanooga churches, extended addresses of welcome. Next Mayor Bass welcomed officials and delegates on the part of the entire citizenship of Chattanooga as well as officials of the law enforcement department pledging every possible service or courtesy. Mr. Richard Parks, secretary of Chamber of Commerce, also visited and welcomed the Assembly on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce and business men of the city of Chattanooga which was followed by an address of welcome by Dr. Simpson, dean of the Chattanooga Ministerial Association. There seemed to be no dissenting voices on the behalf of any part of Chattanooga's citizenship. Before the close of the business session of

the General Assembly the Hon. Richard Parks, secretary of Chamber of Commerce, again returned to extend a welcome and an invitation for the return of the General Assembly to Chattanooga for the year 1935, pledging every possible convenience and comfort. We were delighted with the co-operation and friendliness of Chattanooga; business houses, restaurants, department stores, gas stations, street cars, displayed placards and invitations of welcome to Church of God delegates.

CLEVELAND INVITES GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO RETURN

While the Assembly was in session we received the following telegram from officials of the city of Cleveland, Tenn.: "VG53 48 DL—Cleveland, Tenn. 10 120P, S. W. Latimer, General Overseer, Auditorium; Sincere greetings to the Church of God from Cleveland and a most cordial invitation to hold your next Annual Assembly here with our definite assurance that we will do everything possible to assist in making the meeting an unqualified success with all municipal benefits possible at your disposal, Chamber of Commerce, Mayor and Commissions."

This invitation was followed by a delegation appearing in person on the platform during the General Assembly consisting of C. W. Harle, president of Merchants Bank and vice-president of Chamber of Commerce; Frank Harle, cashier of Cleveland National Bank; Frank K. Harle, secretary and treasurer of Cleveland Milling Company; E. R. Stivers, secretary and treasurer of Stivers Lumber Company; P. B. Mayfield of the firm of Mayfield & Mayfield, attorneys; J. F. Anderson, postmaster; Mr. McLain of the McLain Undertaking establishment and Mr. McDaris of the McDaris Clothing Company, all of Cleveland who gave a hearty welcome to the General Assembly to return to Cleveland for the year 1935, pledging every possible means of co-operation.

MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES

Reports given during the General Assembly showed considerable increases in the mission fields. Ten new churches were organized in Jamaica, two new stations were opened in Haiti, and despite closed doors in Mexico our missionaries continue their work there with

many conversions reported. We also took over eleven stations in Central America having a total membership of six hundred and fifty some members. Funds for the year also showed seventy-four per cent increase which was very gratifying. We purchased and improved a large and valuable property in Nassau, Bahama for convention work in the islands there, however, this property is not entirely paid for. The mission work in the Bahamas was strengthened and some church buildings were also erected and others repaired.

FUTURE OUTLOOK

The committee appointing state overseers made several changes, added some new overseers also, and we believe for the present year we have reason to expect favorable returns from those appointed. These are days of uncertainty with hanging clouds that try men's souls, nevertheless we expect God's blessings upon the future and believe that trials and tests which workers have formerly encountered will only act as stepping stones to a more determined purpose that they shall not be defeated but shall accomplish the greatest possible good for the Church of God over which they have been made overseers and upon which it depends for its growth and success.

A NECESSITY

That the needs of the Church may be supplied for the future both at home and abroad and that workers may be equipped with spiritual enduement, we especially insist that this year be made one of continued intercessory prayer. Those who pray receive grace to thwart satanic opposition to help them during times of difficulty and to make them able to bear up under conditions for which they are entirely unprepared.

PUBLISHING HOUSE

This Assembly found our Publishing House entirely inadequate to care for the work which we are now receiving and without provision for the future except we purchase or build another plant in which to house machinery and equipment. It was therefore deemed advisable and accordingly authorized that a new publishing house be erected suitable to meet the needs of the publishing house as early as possible. This work will

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Things I See At

Evangelist

The Twenty-ninth Annual Assembly of the Church of God was indeed great. From the East and West, North and South they came, in cars, by rail, in busses, in trucks, etc. What a multitude! The greatest in attendance of any previous Assembly. The big auditorium seating fifty-five hundred was packed night after night. And what preaching, singing, praying, praising! It was indeed a happy crowd. To say that all enjoyed it is saying it mildly, judging by the many amens, hallelujahs, praise the Lord, etc., that were the order of every day and night.

The usual business of the Assembly was conducted with apparently the least possible friction. Everything moved like machinery well oiled. If there were differences of opinion they were seldom expressed. Looking to a better and more effective service for God and the cause of His Church on earth seemed to be uppermost in all minds; to this end some new recommendations were made, while some rulings of other years were ordered to be amended or repealed.

The messages given from day to day were of a high order, being based on the Bible, which is the Inspired Word of God, from which there is no appeal on any subject. From the platform, in prayer, in song, and in praises, Jesus was held up as the Son of God, the only Savior of men; His blood the only remedy or propitiation for sin. The practical side of everyday religion was emphasized, as also various speakers urged the importance of holiness and holy living, that which designates God's people as being different from the world. It is purity of heart, thought, word and deed that constitutes their holy, Christian character, through which the Spirit and likeness of Jesus is manifested. Certainly God has called His people to be a holy people. Of this there can be no question, this is fundamental. Many practices, fashions and fads which are being indulged by the world today, and even by some professed followers of Christ, were strongly

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for the victories He gave us. It was estimated by some that the number of people visiting the evening services were from six to eight thousand. The auditorium was filled and the front lobby and dining room and rest rooms downstairs were packed every night. The preachers seemed to be at their very best and many soul stirring messages were given. The many expressions of love and favor shown by the Lord are too numerous to mention but we are sure thousands returned to their homes with renewed energy and greater determination to do more for the Lord than ever before.

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be under way as early as the committee can devise plans and proceed with the work. We especially ask your prayers and co-operation that this work shall be unhindered and speedily brought to completion.

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FREE SUNDAY SCHOOL LITERATURE

As we have previously told you through the Evangel and as we rehearsed during the General Assembly, we are very anxious that new Sunday Schools be opened in every new community possible. In order to aid you in your effort we will be glad to furnish at least one hundred new schools with free literature for the first quarter which consists of a sufficient amount of Adult, Junior, Beginner Quarterlies, card sets and lesson leaves. Go out into the highways and hedges where there are no Sunday Schools, invite those beautiful bright-faced boys and girls along with their parents to Sunday School. There stands some unused church or school building or a hall which you can rent for this purpose. By all means work, for the night is coming when no man can work, and if you do not reach these communities with the Gospel they must abide in the ignorance and shame of sin which will later be intensified by wide-spread atheism and its teachings.

SPECIAL

When people say to me, "I do not know that it is God's will to heal me," I ask them, "Is it God's will to keep His promises?" — F. F. Bosworth.

Missions & Missionaries

J. H. INGRAM, Mission Editor

All Material for this Department should be sent to E. C. Clark, Mission Secretary.

APPOINTMENT OF MISSIONARIES

The Mission Board met pursuant to order of its duties during business session of the General Assembly and authorized that Z. R. Thomas be retained as overseer of Jamaica and immediate islands; J. Vital Herne be retained as overseer of the work in Haiti; W. R. Franks (colored) was chosen overseer of the Bahama Islands to act in conjunction with E. W. Williams, overseer of Florida, who will act in an advisory capacity concerning the work on the Bahama Islands and will also possibly visit during their convention. J. H. Ingram was appointed as overseer of Mexico and Central America under whose care both missionaries and missionary work in these countries were placed.

We were very happy to have with us Rev. C. T. Furman and wife, missionaries from Guatemala, who have a very precious baptism of the Holy Spirit and who have been used of God in Central America for the past seventeen years. They were so favorably impressed with our General Assembly and work in general that they were received into fellowship and received an appointment from the Mission Board to return to Guatemala to represent the interest of the Church of God in that field. Two other native workers who have been highly successful also received appointments from the Board in connection with the work in Guatemala.

C. E. Glenn now on Prince Edward Island, Canada also received appointment from the Board to continue work there which has been very successful during the past year.

OUR RESPONSIBILITY

Has been greatly increased by additional missionaries being sent and for which we feel very proud, and we are asking and you are expecting not only to stand by these but that God shall greatly bless and use them during the future for whose support in a financial way we have obligated ourselves. A faithful effort on the part of the pastors of the local churches and evangelists in their evangelistic

work will result in continued and substantial increases in funds for missionary activity. We should have a greater missionary zeal. We should not be content until our missionary work has grown to the extent that we have missionaries in every clime and country. Let us engage ourselves not only in prayer for their success, but keep their secular needs upon our hearts and before our people that the income for missionary purposes may be greatly increased. No church can be happier nor nearer its climax of glory and usefulness than when it is making it possible for unsaved souls who have not heard the gospel to hear it by support of missionaries sent out for that purpose. We are depending on you, however, it would not be such a disappointment to us if you failed us as the disappointment will be to yourselves in the event you fail God for the work which He has planned for you to do. Therefore, organize yourselves as pastors and workers within your local churches and communities for the purpose of further augmenting the missionary field by added missionaries and financial income.

DEATH NOTICES

BOYD

Alfred Boyd, little son of Brother and Sister J. F. Boyd, age fourteen, died Sept. 23. Funeral was conducted by Brother J. C. Mooney and interment made in the Bastin cemetery.—T. M. Basham, Thornton, Ky.

ROBERTS

Malissa Roberts, better known as Grandma Roberts, of Carmi, Ill. died Sept. 19, 1934, at the age of eighty-eight years and two days. Funeral services were conducted at the home by the writer.—T. J. Milligan, Equality, Ill.

GRAVES

Brother P. F. Graves, pastor of Graves Chapel Church of God near Troy, Tenn., passed away Sept. 14, 1934. He was born Sept. 4, 1873. He built up the work at Graves

Chapel and had pastored the work ever since the church was set in order about nine years ago. He had won many friends for the Church of God. He was a wonderful preacher. Truly we feel that the Church of God has lost a precious member, but "blessed are they that die in the Lord." Truly we feel the Lord will bring Brother Graves with Him when He comes again.

He leaves to mourn his death a wife and three children, three having preceded him to the grave. He also leaves three brothers, one sister and a host of relatives and friends who sadly miss this blessed man of God. We hope to meet him again some sweet day after while.—Louise Evans, 705 Stockell St., Nashville, Tenn.

VANDERGRIFF

Brother J. H. Vandergriff died Sept. 30, 1934 at the age of eighty-six years, one month, and six days. He was a member of the Church of God at Short Mountain. The funeral was conducted by the writer and interment made in the Grizzel cemetery.—A brother, ex-pastor, and friend, Richard Turner.

SPECIAL

CLEARWATER, Fla. — Thank the Lord we can report victory for the Church of God at Largo, Fla. On Aug. 17th Brother and Sister V. D. Combs and little child of Bartow came over to help us. The Spirit of God brought conviction to the hearts of the hearers. There were twenty-five or more seekers in the altar each night. God's power came down and blessed in a wonderful way. Approximately fifteen were saved and sanctified, fourteen filled with the Holy Ghost, seventeen baptized in water and nine added to the church. Everyone enjoyed the special songs with which Brother Combs favored us. The revival continued three weeks and three nights. The last Sunday was a high day in Zion. In the afternoon service the presence of the Holy Ghost was manifested in a mighty way. The Lord's Supper and feet washing were observed in the evening service. God's power was present at this time. The saints at large appreciate Brother Combs and wife and cordially invite them to return whenever possible. Above all we thank and praise God for the great revival.—Yours in Christ, Lois Blanton.

Spiritual Indifference and its Dangers

By P. W. HADSOCK

"Woe to them that are at ease in Zion, and trust in the mountain of Samaria, which are named chief of the nations, to whom the house of Israel came," Amos 6:1.

Amos was a prophesying Jew in the northern kingdom, however his vision included the whole house of Jacob, the supplanter. In the above text Amos is warning those at ease in Zion in a day of unrighteousness. Zion, which means sunny, in the Old Testament is typical of the church in the New Testament, and considering the text in this light, we will do it no injustice to apply the warning therein to the church today, which is indeed a time of unrighteousness.

Christian Life, One of Activity

Activity is the result of life, and is conductive to life. "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a LIVELY hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead," 1 Peter 1:3.

Salvation is a process of conductive life from the very start. In His conversation with Nicodemus Jesus made it plain in no uncertain terms when He said, "Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again." Where there is a birth there is life, activity. In physical or natural births if the child is normal, there is growth, development and continual ACTIVITY. Just so in the spiritual birth, one is completely and very definitely made a new creature in Christ Jesus, resurrected from a life dead in trespasses and sin (Eph. 2:1), to a life of spiritual activity in Christ Jesus (Rom. 6:11). The church is made up of this kind of material (1 Peter 2:5), "Ye also as LIVELY stones are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God by Jesus Christ."

God's plan for the church is that every member be an ACTIVE member, and woe to them that are at ease in the church today. The

world is a great field of activity, men and women alike are laboring from early till late in their effort to keep the wheels of industry turning. The church must be active if she stems the tide of unrighteousness rampant everywhere today.

At Ease

To be at ease in the church is to be spiritually inactive, spiritually lazy and careless. One may be definitely blessed of the Lord, but it depends entirely on that individual as to future and continued activity in Christian service.

The first sign of one becoming at ease in the church (Zion) is a lack of earnest prayer, soul wrestling. It has been truthfully said prayer is the life of the Christian and one letting up in their prayer life will soon give way to the next step in becoming at ease, which is a lack of love for the Word. The Bible and good literature is soon replaced with the modern books and reading matter of today. Following this one loses their love for the house of God; the meetings have lost the attraction for him, and should he go there is no life, no active part taken in the meeting. The love for the saints is beginning to wane and there is no urge to get the good news of the gospel of salvation to others, the vow to support the gospel with tithes and offerings is easily broken. Every trace of spirituality is about gone—at ease in the church.

The Cause

For one to become at ease in the church they must first mistake the true nature of salvation. The Christian life is not one of only enjoyment and privilege, it is also a life of duty, labor, and activity. We are to be the servants of Christ, and in our service to Him we are to serve one another.

Second, one becoming at ease in Zion, the church, forgets his responsibility. It is a serious thing to come in contact with God. We must render account to Him of the use of our time, talents, and means.

The Danger and Results

To become at ease in the church brings the direct displeasure of God. It dwarfs the soul and hinders spiritual development resulting in soul-barrenness and lack of power. It has a bad effect on others in the church, encourages a general state of lethargy in the church. It also has a bad influence on the world, hinders the conversion of sinners.

The Remedy

"Ye are the salt of the earth; but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted; it is thenceforth good for nothing but to be cast out and to be trodden under foot of men. Ye are the light of the world, a city that is set on a hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle and put it under a bushel but on a candlestick and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven," Matt. 5:13-16.

In the light of these words from the lips of our dear Savior, there is not the slightest excuse for easiness and inactivity in the church today. Souls are going out into eternity without hope, the Macedonian call "Come over and help us" is coming from every quarter of the country. Many good and useful ministers and workers are crippled in their effort to carry the gospel, due to a lack of proper support. A certain per cent of the laity of the church is toiling early and late, one hundred per cent loyal in every particular, while the other per cent is AT EASE in Zion (the church). But the woe pronounced by Amos, which came true in Old Testament times, will surely and definitely come true in this the church age, and the calamity of a wrecked Christian career is most disastrous. God has placed a great premium on faithfulness, both in individual experience and service to others. He has also placed definite judgments on unfaithfulness. The ultimate loss from unfaithfulness cannot be estimated but the crown of LIFE awaits those who are faithful unto death. Rev. 2:10.

An Example

Aside from Christ the Apostle Paul is an outstanding example in Christian activity, loyalty and faithfulness, following his marvelous conversion his was a life of

continued activity. The enemy met him at every turn of the road in an effort to retard his activity as a ministry and worker for God and His church. But he cried out, "Woe is me if I preach not the gospel," and pushed on in the fight. He was loyal in all his activity as a minister and member of the church tho' he suffered much in doing so. Hear what he says, "Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one; thrice was I beaten with rods; once I was stoned; thrice I suffered shipwreck; a night and a day I have been in the deep. In journeys often, in perils of water, in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in perils in the sea, in perils among FALSE BRETHREN, in weariness and painfulness, in watchings often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness. Besides those things that are without,

that which cometh upon me daily, the CARE OF ALL THE CHURCHES," 2 Cor. 11:24-28.

He had no EASE in Zion. In all his adversities and hindrances he maintained his active Christian career and came down to the end of his earthly life with this testimony, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have KEPT THE FAITH, henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord the righteous judge shall give me at that day, and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing." 2 Tim. 4:7, 8. This is the reward of an active Christian life. The Apostle Paul allowed nothing to retard his holy zeal for God and His cause, and his admonition to the church today is, "Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ," 1 Cor. 11:1.

made clear in His precious Word. I began seeking sanctification and it wasn't long until I was sanctified. That night after service Bro. Rexrode held healing service. I had been bothered with a severe stomach trouble for years and had given up all hopes of medical aid as I had been doctored so much and by so many different doctors. They told me my stomach had dropped just as low as it could drop and that it was full of ulcers. My food didn't digest right and I would vomit nearly every time I ate. I lived mostly on milk. I will not go into details of how I suffered but it was terrible.

On this night Brother Rexrode held healing services I went forward to be anointed and prayed for and as they prayed for me I felt His healing power surge thru my body. I came home and the next morning I went to the table and ate just everything I wanted, something I hadn't done for two years. I was afraid my old trouble would come back and people would think that I hadn't been healed but I know it was the enemy trying to get his work in. I promised to testify to it when the Lord made it more clear to me for I knew He could take every doubt away. I was so hungry to get more of God and to get the assurance that I was healed.

I wanted to get to myself to pray so I got off to myself and just poured out my heart to God. I wanted my healing to be for the glory of God. I don't know how long I prayed but I know that God gave me a wonderful blessing. I said, "Lord help me to explain to others the wonderful blessing you have just given me." But praise His name, I didn't need to explain, the Holy Ghost explained for me. The power of God came over me. I was praising God and talking in tongues. I tried to tell my husband my doubts were all taken away concerning my healing but I could not speak one word in my language.

I am still sounding His praises. I have never taken a dose of medicine since and praise God I haven't needed any for God is my Physician. I do praise my Savior for healing me and keeping me healed. Of course I am not free from pain at all times, I don't think anyone is, but without a doubt God has healed me in both soul and body. I request that all Evangel readers

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Testimonies

KEEPS ME EACH DAY

CAMPBELL, Ala.—I praise God for sparing me here a few days. Bless His good name for His goodness to me. I took sick with chills and I had two chills then I had two yellow chills. I called for the saints before I got unconscious, even sent them a card but they did not get the word. I lay unconscious for two days. They got the dear saints of God here to pray for me and the blessed Savior healed me. I give Him all the praise.

We have a wonderful Savior and I am glad He keeps me each day. Pray that my faith will grow stronger for I trust altogether in the Lord for healing since I was healed of yellow chills.

My left leg began to swell and I was so weak I couldn't walk about the house. I got an anointed cloth from Brother Rouse and applied the cloth to my body believing that God was going to heal me and I thank God because I am well and strong again. I can walk anywhere I want to go. Pray that I will hold out faithful unto the end.—A brother in Christ, Earl Dungan.

STILL IN THE RACE

LARKINSVILLE, Ala.—I thank God because I am still on victory's side with a great determination to

press forward. I am looking for Jesus to return soon and I do want to be ready to meet Him. We have had a hard struggle with Satan here at Letcher but Jesus has helped us as He promised and we are still in the race. The saints seemed to be putting on new courage.

I thank the Lord for His healing power. Our little girl was taken ill with chills. She was suffering terribly. We prayed for her and before we arose from prayer she was resting. She called for something to eat and didn't have any more chills for which we thank the Lord. Pray for this church that God will keep us in love and unity. Also pray for my husband that He will receive the Holy Ghost.—One who loves the Lord, Mrs. Herbert Cornelison, Star Route.

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HEALED TO THE GLORY OF GOD

I thank my Redeemer for the wonderful things He has done for me. I had lived a Christian life for several years but I had never heard sanctification or the Holy Ghost preached until Brother R. L. Rexrode came to St. George, W. Va. in July and August, 1932 to hold a tent meeting. The very first night I realized he was preaching the full Gospel and that I had overlooked many important things God had

SPECIALS FROM THE FIELD

REVIVALS CONTINUE

WARRIOR, Ala.—A few weeks ago we closed a revival at Massey Line, Ala. Brothers Edgar Crider, Claud Dunavant, and Sister Ruby Dollar had been running the meeting one week and when we arrived we found the revival spirit on. We continued two more weeks, the writer doing the preaching except one sermon by our state overseer. Sixteen were saved, sixteen sanctified, and thirteen filled with the Holy Ghost. After closing this revival we began another one near Thermal Mines. Three were saved, two sanctified and three filled with the Holy Ghost. On Aug. 11th we started a revival at Sulphur Springs, Ala. In the first service one received the Holy Ghost. We have open air meetings arranged ahead to keep us going until cold weather. Hundreds of people are attending these meetings. Please pray that many souls will be brought to God.—Your brother in Christ, W. E. Motes.

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HAGAN, Ga.—A splendid revival closed here Aug. 14th. It has been an uplift to our church and community. Several were saved, several reclaimed and our whole town seemed to be helped much spiritually. Brother James S. Roberts of Brunswick, Ga. preached for us.—Your brother in Christ, D. E. Bozeman, clerk.

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PARROTTSVILLE, Tenn.—Bro. J. S. Walker of Talbott fought the enemy in a thirteen-day revival at Clines Chapel near here. Two were saved, one sanctified, three baptized with the Holy Ghost and three added to the church at Carson Springs.—A sister, Mrs. Edward Blazer.

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MADE 100 PER CENT ON QUOTAS

BARTOW, Fla.—We praise the Lord for the way He has blessed us here at Bartow this year. In March we had a revival with Bro. E. E. Coleman in charge. A number were saved, sanctified and one baptized with the Holy Ghost. Our building was not near large enough to accommodate the crowds that came out so we began to pray for the Lord to help us get a larger

building and the Lord began to work in our favor. We secured two large city lots and at this writing we have enough material on the ground to erect a building 30x54 feet and all is paid for. Praise the Lord. Our membership has increased to twenty-two. Our Sunday School has also increased greatly. We won the state Sunday School banner for July attendance. The Lord has helped us make one hundred per cent on general indebtedness, state camp ground quota and mission quota for which we praise His dear name. Pray for the continued success of the work here.—Yours for the Master, V. D. Combs, pastor.

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CLANTON, Ala.—A revival began here Aug. 7th and continued for two weeks. The Lord wonderfully blessed. Brother Batts, pastor at Tallassee Church of God, was in charge. Several were saved and sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost and the church was revived. The house was full from the beginning and the altar was full of seekers every service. The meeting closed with twenty at the altar. Pray that the revival spirit will continue here.—A brother in Christ, Henry Cleckler.

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CULBERSON, N. C.—A revival began at Mt. Aaron Church of God Aug. 19th and it continued two weeks. Brother A. J. Murray from Cleveland conducted the revival with Brother Bryant assisting. Both gave some wonderful instructions and sermons. We feel that the church was wonderfully strengthened. About ten were saved, nine baptized and one added to the church. We thank God for the good that was done in this revival. We covet the prayers of all as our little church is small and needs your prayers. Our Sunday School is growing. We hope to have a permanent place of worship soon.—Ella Jenkins, clerk.

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ST. ALBANS, W. Va.—Brother Meade, our pastor, and Brother Arley Whitlow ran a wonderful meeting here. Sixteen were converted, twelve sanctified, and five filled with the Holy Ghost. I was a member of the Baptist church for

thirteen years and a baptist minister's wife for ten years but praise His dear name, I've seen the light on holiness and joined the Church of God. I have one daughter who has the blessing too. Pray for me that I might be stronger in His cause.—Your sister in His name, Alma Williams.

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UHRICHSVILLE, O.—Our three weeks' revival closed Aug. 19th with the Lord's Supper and feet washing. The Lord surely did bless. Brother and Sister Alewine were with us and brought forth the Word with great power. Eight were saved, two sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost, seven baptized in water, and eight added to the church. The saints were revived. We thank the churches at Dundee and Midvale for their good help and prayers, also all who came in and helped in the special singing. Please pray for us in Uhrichsville, we need your prayers.—D. E. Weddle, pastor.

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38 RECEIVED HOLY GHOST

HAZLEHURST, Ga.—We had a seven weeks' revival at Bridgeford in which God wonderfully blessed. Six or eight messages were given out and interpreted by our pastor, Brother Leroy Clements, who did most of the preaching. Brother J. J. Floyd was with us a few days, also our district overseer, Brother J. B. Weeks. Thirty-eight were filled with the Holy Ghost, thirty-one added to the church and others blessed. Everybody pray for us at Bridgeford that we will be soul winners for Jesus.—J. A. Clements.

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ALTOONA, Ala.—Our former pastor, Brother J. M. Hartline, conducted a two weeks' revival at the Church of God at this place. One was saved and sanctified, one reclaimed and one filled with the Holy Ghost. This revival was surely a great uplift to the saints and many sinners are really encouraged to get in touch with God. We were sorry that our pastor, Brother Brewer, could not be with us in this meeting as he is state evangelist and was off at this time in a revival. We ask all to pray for us that we may ever stay humble.—Your sister in Christ, Maudie Lindsay.

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WINBORN, Miss.—The altar was filled with seekers at every service during our meeting here.

Brother Wm. R. Fowler and Brother J. A. Smith did the preaching. A number were saved, one sanctified, five added to the church and five are to be baptized. Eternity alone will tell the good that was done. Some of the saints from Booneville were here over the week-end and helped us and we were glad to have them. God bless them.—A brother, M. L. Muse, deacon.

ENCOURAGED TO GO ON

HATTIESBURG, Miss.—We had a fifteen-day revival with Brother O. J. Plake from Cleveland, Miss. doing the preaching. God surely did bless during this revival. Twelve were added to the church and twelve baptized in water. This church is getting along fine spiritually. The church appreciates Bro. M. J. Headley, our pastor. We have a good Sunday School and are encouraged to go on. Please pray that this church will continue to grow.—J. A. King, clerk.

ADDISON, Ala.—A revival was conducted at New Georgia church by Brother Colon Dunn. The Lord surely did bless. Nine were saved and reclaimed, four sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost, six baptized in water and three added to the Church of God. Words can't express the good this meeting has done. Please pray for me that I'll ever live for the Lord.—Your sister in Christ, Vergie Carroll.

BINGER, Okla.—We are glad to report victory at Binger. We secured a building for services the first of June. There were no holiness folks here and only one man and two women who had the blessing. We had small attendance, but at the end of four weeks the crowds began to pick up a little and four had gotten saved, three sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost so we felt encouraged. We were asked to move from the building as they wanted it for meeting. The men built a large arbor and got lumber for the seats and we began to fight the devil again. The second week victory came. At the end of the second week nineteen had been saved, about eight sanctified and six filled with the Holy Ghost altogether. We closed the meeting with an all-day service and a big dinner. Nineteen were baptized in water in the afternoon and we set a church in order that night with twelve members. I praise Him

for the little work here. Dear saints, remember us in your prayers. Pray that the Lord will open the way for us to have a building this winter if Jesus tarries.—Your brother and sister in Christ, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Curtsinger.

IT WAS WONDERFUL

God is still blessing at Dolly Lake about five miles from Webb, Miss. Brother T. H. Williams and Lester Lay conducted a two weeks' revival here. A large crowd attended and God wonderfully blessed. Thirty-two were saved, twenty-six sanctified, eighteen filled with the Holy Ghost and twenty-nine baptized in water. Pray that God will continue to bless.—A brother in Christ, Jeff Porter.

JASONVILLE, Ind.—The Church of God here had a five weeks' meeting in which God wonderfully blessed. Fifty-one seekers were at the altar, thirty-one were saved, twenty-five sanctified, twenty filled with the Holy Ghost and twenty-three added to the church, making a total of seventy-four members. The church was set in order Aug. 8, 1934 with fourteen members, Brother Fred Puckett, pastor. Brother Charlie Standifer, state overseer, conducted the revival. Please pray for our church.—A sister in Christ, Miss Ruby Harlan.

EXPECTING A GOOD WORK IN FT. TOWSON

FT. TOWSON, Okla.—I thank each one who has sent their old and new papers to me. I have received papers and Sunday School literature from various ones and have given them to the people. So many have come and told me they thought it was the best paper they ever saw. Keep sending them as this is one of the neediest fields I ever saw. I am still in a meeting at Swink, Okla. Brother W. C. Payne is with me. I think I will be safe in saying there have been twenty or twenty-five saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, I baptized ten in water Aug. 19th. I think we will get a good work here. I ask all who know the value of prayer to pray for us that God will bless us and that we will get a good church at this place. There is good interest and large crowds. God bless all is our prayer.—C. M. Barrett.

LAWRENCEBURG, Tenn. — A very successful revival was conducted here by Brother T. L. Willix, district pastor, and Brother Lyle from Nashville. Five were filled with the Holy Ghost, one sanctified, a number saved, two added to the church and seven baptized in water. God did some wonderful healings. Thank God! Aug. 1st we had our district Sunday School convention. A large crowd gathered to partake of the goodness of God. We had the Nashville Sunday School folks with us, also Sister Evans from Kentucky. She brought a wonderful message. Our pastor who lives at Nashville was also present. The Sunday Schools are growing and gaining ground in this district. The church at this place has more than doubled its membership. Twenty-two have been baptized in water this Assembly year, twenty added to the church, thirty-four filled with the Holy Ghost and the church is still going by leaps and bounds. The writer and Brother Lyle conducted a revival on the Memphis and Chattanooga highway a few weeks ago in which four were filled with the Holy Ghost, three saved, and one sanctified. This is a new place and souls are starving for the Gospel. We had from five to six hundred every night and on the closing night something like eight hundred. Last Saturday night Brother Willix went over to this place and baptized three in water and added two to the church. There are great prospects for a new church soon. Pray much for the work at both places to continue to grow.—A sister, Mrs. B. H. Clark.

STRAWN, Tex.—We closed a two weeks' revival here with success. God met with us in the first service. We lost count of the number saved and sanctified but we do know that twenty-three were filled with the Holy Ghost, twenty-eight were baptized in water and twenty-three added to the church. We found a real band of workers here and the Y.P.E. was on the front line with singing, music, testimonies and prayers. Special songs were rendered by the Messimer sisters which all enjoyed. Pray that God will bless us in our work.—A brother in the Master's service, J. A. Lewis, 2129 Hillger Ave., Detroit, Mich.

ROY, Ky.—We closed a revival at Freedom Church of God with

seven saved, five sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost, six baptized in water and seven added to the church. The Lord surely did bless in a wonderful way. We give God the praise for it all. Please pray that God will continue to give us souls for our hire.—Willis Carden, pastor.

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BAXLEY, Ga.—On Aug. 7 we started a revival at Baxley with Brother J. B. Weeks in charge. The Lord was with us from the beginning until the close of the meeting. Fourteen were saved, seven sanctified, eight filled with the Holy Ghost, eight baptized in water and ten added to the church. The saints were encouraged. The revival lasted almost five weeks.—E. E. O'Neal, pastor.

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BECKLEY, W. Va.—Brother H. S. Smith, evangelist, started a meeting at Eccles, W. Va., Aug. 21st and closed it Sept. 16th with eleven saved, six sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost, six restored, and five added to the church.—Your brother, H. G. Boggs.

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MARIETTA, Ga.—We closed a revival in August conducted by Brother and Sister Largin and Sister Kalb with forty-five saved, forty sanctified, thirty-eight filled with the Holy Ghost, six added to the church and five baptized in water.—V. J. Dupree, clerk.

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HIGDEN, Ark.—We had a wonderful revival conducted by Bro. B. F. Cooper and wife. The dear Lord was with us with great power and glory and the work is greatly built up. Twenty-three were saved, a number sanctified, twelve filled with the Holy Ghost, eleven baptized in water and fifteen added to the church. Everybody enjoyed Sister Cooper's music and singing. Our pastor and wife, Bro. and Sister Milam, helped in the meeting. The revival fire is still burning, souls are still seeking the dear Lord. Thirteen have received the Holy Ghost since the meeting. We are planning to organize a Y. P. E. which will be the first one ever organized here. We feel greatly encouraged to keep pressing on. Pray that the dear Lord will continue to shower His blessings on us.—The Church of God at Higdon, Flossie Morton, reporter.

EDWARDSVILLE, Ala.—I thank God for the six weeks' meeting that was held here. We thank every one who helped in any way. May God bless Mr. Dees of Heflin, Ala. for giving us a house to worship in. I thank God for filling sixteen with the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. Twenty-three, if I make no mistake, received a definite experience. Brother Ball from Crumleys Chapel set the Church in order with eighteen members.—Your brother in Christ, H. L. Kitchen.

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ANDERSON, S. C.—We closed a week's revival at Townville Church of God. All had a good time. One was saved. Brother J. C. Pruitt and I did the preaching. We ask the prayers of all the saints for the work there.—Your brother in Christ, D. L. Dovenbarger.

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PORTLAND, Me.—We are happy to report that God is working and blessing in Portland, Me. in various ways. We refer to the manner in which He manifested Himself during the two weeks' revival which closed Sept. 2nd. Brother Eugene M. Bryant of North Carolina was the evangelist. It would be difficult to state the true extent of good accomplished, however three were filled with the Holy Ghost, several saved, one reclaimed, the saints were revived and a splendid spirit of unity prevails. I thank and praise God for those who so faithfully and fervently prayed for my daughter, Dorothea Straub, during her critical illness. The Lord not only healed her but saved her at our Maine state convention. This is just like Jesus. Praise His sweet name!—Mrs. M. G. Straub, 82 Union St.

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SLATER, S. C.—I praise the Lord for our new church out at Wolf Mountain, N. C. We held a nine days' meeting there. I found some fine people out there. Just as soon as I started they talked about wanting a Church of God set in order. Quite a number were saved, nine sanctified, five filled with the Holy Ghost and we set the church in order with thirteen members. The Lord has blessed us with a nice church building. Pray that God will bless the work there next year. I ask you Christians to stand by me with your prayers as I have started out to do the will of the Lord.—Carl Cox.

HE IS ALWAYS WITH US

SANDERSVILLE, Ga. — Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I thank and praise the dear Lord for good old time salvation. The Lord also healed my body. I went to the doctors but they didn't seem to do me any good. One night as I was lying propped up on some pillows (I could sleep no other way), I ask God to send a holiness meeting here. It wasn't but a few weeks before Brother and Sister Alewine and Brother Franklin were in Tennile running a meeting, about thirteen miles from my home. I will never forget the Saturday night that Jesus wonderfully lifted the heavy burden off my heart. Glory to God! I went home that night and I didn't prop any pillows up but I fell down across the bed and slept like a little child.

I have many friends and loved ones who are not saved and I want everyone far and near who reads this to please pray that my father, mother, brothers and sisters will be saved before it's too late because I don't believe it is going to be long before Jesus comes.

It seems so hard sometimes, it looks as if I'll have to give up the battle, but thank the dear Lord He comes down in such a sweet way and takes the burden away. If every one forsakes me, thank the dear Lord He is always with us. There isn't any one here who has the blessing but me and I earnestly ask every one to pray a special prayer that I'll go all the way with Him and never turn back.—Your sister in the Lord, Miss Ruby Virginia Moat.

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WE WILL NEED JESUS SOME DAY

HEFLIN, Ala. — Dear saints, I am still striving to enter the strait gate. It has been almost twelve years since the Holy Ghost came into my soul and He still abides. No matter how healthy we are and how much we have, we are going to need Jesus some day. I mean to stay where He will come when I need Him. I haven't taken a dose of medicine in twelve years, Jesus has been my Physician. I consider I will need Him more than ever some day.

The Lord has blessed us with two children and I realize some day their bodies will be racked with pains and I will want Jesus to have mercy on them. If I don't live according to His Word I won't
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NOTICES

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boro district, Nov. 17, 18; Raleigh district, Nov. 24, 25; Rocky Mt. district, Dec. 1, 2; Washington, Dec. 8, 9; Wilmington, Dec. 15, 16; and trust that each local church in these districts will be represented, especially all ranks of the ministry are requested to attend for council on Saturdays of these gatherings. Our state address will be Box 274, Erwin, N. C.—John L. Stephens, Overseer of North Carolina.

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To all brethren in Nebraska: Any one desiring a revival in Nebraska write Mrs. Pearl O. Barber, Edison, Neb. for meetings this fall or winter.—Mrs. Pearl O. Barber, evangelist.

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If any one knows the whereabouts of Brother W. A. Ledford of Arkansas please let me hear from you.—Mary B. White, Truman, Ark.

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I am now on the evangelistic field. Those desiring my service for revival meetings communicate with me at address given below. Yours for souls, and the Church of God.—P. W. Hadsock, 3007 Tampa St., Tampa, Fla.

REQUESTS

Please pray a special prayer for Brother Clarence White. He is very sick with flu and double pneumonia. Pray for him to be healed if it is the Lord's will.—Humbly, Era White, Rt. 2, Box 123, Nichols, Ga.

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Dear saints, please pray for God to heal me of asthma. I suffer so much with it. I have the full blessing and belong to the great Church of God and I am trusting God for both soul and body.—A brother in Christ, R. H. Pigg, Yantis, Tex.

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I praise the Lord because He has healed me of so many things. He healed me of indigestion, side pains and many other things. He healed my husband of sunstroke and pellagra and now I ask the dear saints to please pray for his hand. He has a bad hand and has high fever every night. If we have faith we shall be healed. Pray for us to stand true to God.—A sister, Mrs. Lavana Davis, Kerens, Tex.

Please pray for the healing of my body. I have been trusting God with my soul and body for six years. I fell and hurt my back and can't walk or even sit up. I am a member of the Church of God and have the Holy Ghost.—Your sister, Mrs. L. A. Brinkley, Homerville, Ga.

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I am in a serious condition and suffer very much at times. I am asking those who trust God for their bodies to please carry my request to Him. Ask God to heal me. I know He is able. I also have a little afflicted boy over two years old who has never sat alone or spoken a word. I know God can heal him. Please pray for God to heal him. Pray that my husband, family and I will get closer to God, also pray for the little church at Gilbert, La.—Inez E. Foy, clerk, Gilbert, La.

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Pray that my loved ones will see the light and come to the Lord before it is too late. Pray especially that my husband will get saved.—Mrs. L. M. McMullen, Dowling Park, Fla.

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Please pray for my husband to get salvation. He has been seeking the Lord for over three years.—Mrs. D. L. McMullen, Dowling Park, Fla.

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Pray for me that the Lord will heal me of chills and fever. He has healed me many times. Pray for my family and for the church at Isola.—Mrs. Susie Dyson, Darlove, Miss.

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Please pray for my mother to be saved and healed, also my dad has been suffering with asthma. Pray that he will be healed.—Velma Jolly, Sylacauga, Ala.

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Please pray for my baby. He is three months old and weighs only six pounds. We haven't been able to get any milk that will agree with him. Pray a special prayer for his healing.—Mrs. Annie Mae King, Sylacauga, Ala.

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I thank the Lord for healing me and ask that you pray for me to be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and my home will be a home of prayer.—Mrs. M. B. Finchum, Lepanto, Ark.

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I have a very sick baby and desire your prayers for him.—Arnold Palmer, Silver Point, Tenn.

We are in a revival at Holmes Valley, five miles from Vernon, Fla. in one week thirteen were saved and eleven filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray for God to keep blessing. The writer is doing the preaching. Pray for God to heal something in the corner of my mouth. It bleeds lots. I am trusting God.—A sister, Mrs. L. E. Alford, Ponce de Leon, Fla.

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Please pray for God to provide me a home somewhere with His children. My husband can't live but a short time. Pray for my wicked son and daughter and their families.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Phina McCreary, Berea, Ky.

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Please pray for the healing of my afflicted body. I have been afflicted with rheumatism for sometime, have been disable to work for two years. I have salvation and am a member of the Church of God. If you care to write me a card of encouragement to tell me you are praying for me, I will indeed be very glad.—Claude L. Lee, Rt. 3, Vinemont, Ala.

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I have had sixteen teeth extracted. My face and under my throat is swollen and a purplish black place over where some of the teeth were pulled. I have a hurting between my shoulders so please remember me in prayer. Pray that He will heal me if it is His will and that He will restore my son Jesse E. Wright to health and that he and his wife will be saved and have a Christian home.—A sister, Mrs. Julia M. Jones, Lithia, Fla., Rt. 1, Box 35a.

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I have a special request and would like for as many of the saints as will to join me in fasting and prayer that God will grant it for His glory.—A sister in Christ, Ada Gillman, Chattaroy, W. Va.

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Dear saints, please pray for my unsaved people to see the light on holiness and repent of their sins. I am the only one saved in the family and I never get to go to church, Sunday School or prayer meeting. I am looking for God to answer my prayer. Pray for this community that God will send some one here to preach the gospel. Pray that He will heal my invalid brother and set him on the solid rock. I will appreciate letters of encouragement. If any one knows the whereabouts of Brother and Sister W. R. Had-

sock, please send me their address.—A sister in Christ, Miss Cora Moneyham, Rt. 3, Box 28, Whigham, Ga.

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I am very much afflicted in body. I have lowered intestines, a leaking heart and a very bad goiter. The goiter is causing me to be so nervous, so weak and thin that I don't see how I can live long if I don't get relief in some way. I am not able to work at anything. I love to read the Bible but my eyes are failing me. Pray that I will be healed and stay true to Jesus.—Yours in Him, A. E. Shrewsbury, Hertford, W. Va.

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WARRIOR, Ala.—A revival closed at Sulphur Springs, Ala., Saturday night, Aug. 25th, with two saved, two sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost, two reclaimed, six added to the church and seven baptized in water. On the Saturday night following we observed the Lord's Supper and feet washing. I thank the Lord for the noble band of saints at this place.—Walter Motes.

Testimonies

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pray for me that I might always be humble.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. J. B. Hebb, St. George, W. Va.

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THE LORD CAN HEAL

OKEECHOBEE, Fla.—I praise our great Healer for healing my baby's body. She was taken sick with colitis but the praying people came and prayed for her and the Lord healed her. I am a sinner but I know the Lord can and will heal.—Elizabeth Mixon.

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GOD CAN COMPLETELY HEAL

HICKORY GROVE, S. C.—I praise the dear Lord for healing my body. I had been suffering for about ten days with gall stones of the liver. My husband sent after Brother Waldron, our district pastor, Sister Martin, Brother Wright, another sister and Brother and Sister Johnny Childers, they anointed and prayed for me and the dear Lord wonderfully touched my body, praise His dear name.

I have suffered for many years

with this trouble and I want everyone who reads this to pray a special prayer for me that God will stop this awful pain from my body for I know He can.

I was operated on once for this trouble and there were ninety-seven gall stones taken off my liver. I have had several spells and thought I would die but the dear Lord would heal me. Please pray for me to be completely healed and that the Lord will give me a strong body to help my husband in the Gospel work. May the Lord bless everyone who reads this.—Your humble sister, Mrs. J. M. Donald.

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JESUS HEALED SOUL AND BODY

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Dear saints, I thank the Lord for His saving and healing power. He has saved my soul and healed my body for nine or ten years. My nerves were so bad I could hardly sleep at all. Now I can sleep. I was also in a wreck in which my ribs were broken, also my collar bone and I had a hole in my head. My head ached all the time. In both cases doctors and all medical aid failed but Jesus healed both soul and body.

I thank Him for Elder C. F. Bright and the Church of God and for his daily walk, talk, and life before men and women for it has been the cause of me being saved and healed. He prayed for me. Thru his uprightness I am now a brave soldier on the battlefield for the Lord. Pray that I may grow stronger.—Your brother in Christ, Ardee Dossett, 170 Steele St.

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SERVING A WONDERFUL GOD

TOLAR, N. Mex.—I thank the Lord for His wonderful healing power. Our little boy fell from a horse and unjointed his neck and hurt his back. We had a doctor to put his neck back in place and we let God heal him. He lay unconscious for four days, couldn't talk, would only point his finger at anything. We just kept on holding to God and his speech came back just as good as it ever was and his mind was just as good as it ever was. My wife and I are giving God all the praise for this wonderful healing. We are serving a wonderful God if we will let Him have His way. Bless His name.

Melrose is a hard place so pray for our pastor and his wife and the work here. Pray that we will stand

true to God and do His will at all times.—Your brother and sister in Christ, Mr. and Mrs. Dock Smith.

THE CHRISTIAN RECIPE

Edward Pinkham, W. Frankfort, Ill.
Is your brow with fever heated?
Cool it with the breath of prayer.
Are your hopes almost defeated?
Do not give up in despair.

If your path is dark and lonely,
Light it with the Word of God;
Then you'll see to travel only,
Where the feet find smoothest sod.

Do the demon spirits choke you,
With their foul, unpleasant air;
And with scorn try to provoke you?
Then resort to earnest prayer.

Pray a hole through skies of darkness,
Ventilate your soul thereby;
Then you'll breathe the breath of angels,
Thru that hole prayed thru the sky.

If your burdens have grown grievous,
And you fall down in the road,
Move up closer unto Jesus,
Then you both can share the load.

If you're pierced by arrows flying,
From old Satan's cunning bow,
Hold the shield of faith before you,
Then defeat you will not know.

If you're tossed by winds of doctrine,
And don't know which way to go,
Take the faith route of the Bible,
Then the true way you will know.

If your joy is overflowing,
And your brother's sad and blue,
Blend your songs of praise together,
Then there will be joy for two.

If you're in the valley roaming,
And the marshes bid you stop,
Start the wings of praise in motion,
Soon you'll reach the mountain top.

If you've drifted from the Savior,
And your soul is black with sin,
Bathe it in the blood of Jesus,
It will wash without, within.

Has some brother's heart been wounded,
By some harsh word said by you?
Heal it with the balm of friendship,
As the Master bids you do.

Do you thirst for living water?
Jesus bids you come and drink,
He will give it in such measure,
As your soul could never think.

If you're starving for a blessing,
There is help at your command,
Telephone your wants to Jesus,
He'll give food from Canaan land.

If you're bound by filthy lucre,
To this world so false and vain,

Seek the riches of God's glory,
They're the best that you can gain.

SPECIALS

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feel clear to call on Him.

It has been over two years since I have been with the believing children in services but I am not a bit discouraged. My husband is an Evening Light believer so I never get to be with anyone to encourage me but I thank God because the seed that fell fell on good ground and took root. When temptations come I do not get discouraged. The Spirit bears witness with my spirit that I am a child of God. Pray that I will be faithful until death.—Your sister in Christ, Georgia Carlisle.

THE POWER CAME DOWN IN A GLORIOUS WAY

POINT, Tex.—I praise the Lord for the revival at Lain Chapel near Edgewood, Tex. which began Aug. 15th and ran until Sept. 2nd. The Lord blessed in a glorious way. Six were saved, seven sanctified, six filled with the Holy Ghost, five added to the church and seven were baptized in water, for which we give God all the glory. The revival was conducted by our pastor, Brother W. M. Corns, and the writer. We had Brother D. H. Stanley and wife from Sweetwater with us a while and Brother Travis Melton and the saints from Mills Point. We thank the Lord for their help. The power of God came down in a glorious way the last night and the meeting closed with the Lord's Supper and feet washing. The saints are greatly encouraged to go on. We can never forget the blessed saints and the good friends at Lain Chapel. Pray for my husband and me.—Mrs. Annie Ivy.

GREENSBORO, N. C.—Brother G. C. Smith, pastor of the Church of God, has done much good in Greensboro. The church is growing in number and is very, very spiritual. I have received many good blessings under his preaching. Brother John L. Stephens, preached Sunday evening, Sept. 2nd. The power of God was there. Everybody seemed happy. Each Wednesday evening a Bible study or personal testimonies are given. I am not a member of the Church of God but I go regularly and en-

joy the beautiful singing and sweet fellowship. Pray that God will have His way with each one.—A friend.

GOOD OLD TIME RELIGION

WASHINGTON, N. C.—I praise the Lord for good old-time religion. I thank the Lord for the wonder-

ful revival that we held at Alligood Church of God which began Aug. 19th and closed Sept. 2nd. We had been praying for this revival for some time and our God really answered prayer. We were hindered some during the first week by bad weather but the Lord heard our

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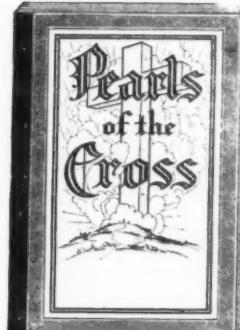
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cries and smiled upon us. The meeting was conducted by our district pastor, Brother J. C. Pinion. The saints seemed to be encouraged to go all the way with the Lord. Great interest was shown by the people. Conviction seized the hearts of many. Two were reclaimed, several saved, sanctified and one filled with the Holy Ghost. We are few in number here but we love the Lord and His Church. We de-

sire the prayers of every one that God will continue to bless us. Pray for me.—Your humble sister in Christ, Eula Cayton.

Our meeting began Aug. 20th and closed Sept. 1st in McNairy County, about seven miles southwest of Selmer, Ala. Two were sanctified and a new church was set in order with ten members. We have the ground to build a church

on and timber promised us to build it with and plenty of help to do the work. The people in that county are stirred by the old time Gospel. Pray much for us and this new place.—Your brothers in Christ, B. H. Smith and J. L. Dillingham, evangelists.

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